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Season Tickets Now on Sale For Three Plays To Be Given Here by the Jesters

The Jesters, Trinity dramatic organization, began rehearsals for *French Without Tears*, by Terence Rattigen, on Monday, September 26. This play, first of three for the Jesters this season, will be given on October 28-29 and November 4-5.

Theatre on Campus

In past years the Jesters' productions have been presented at Hartford's Avery Theatre. This season the group will move to the campus where they will give their plays in arena style at Alumni Hall. In arena style, the stage is a square or circular area set off in the center of a room on the floor. The audience sits on chairs which surround the "stage" completely, leaving only aisles sufficient for easy access to the seats. If possible, the chairs are banked, but if this can not be done, the chairs can rest on the same level as the stage. All the action takes place in the space on the floor surrounded by the audience. No scenery can be used, for even the smallest flat would obviously interfere with someone's view. Any furniture must be quite low and small, and yet must not be out of proportion.

In a normal play, real books look like dummies from a distance, so the shelves are loaded with cardboard painted to look like the books required. In the arena, however, if a book with a French title or in French is to be used, as is the case in *French Without Tears*, the book must not only be real, but must be in French for someone in the audience will either be near enough or far-sighted enough to read it. There are many more problems connected with this type of staging too numerous to mention here, but plays done in this fashion have proven far more effective than those in conventional style. For example, a love scene on the legitimate stage is interesting and perhaps inspiring, but one played in an arena can prove embarrassing to the audience by its very proximity and intimacy—just as one is embarrassed by surprising a couple on a park bench.

Season Tickets on Sale

Season ticket sales are now in progress, and one may be obtained from any Jester. The total charge for admission to all three plays is \$2.25, and (Continued on page 4.)

Senate Gives WRTC Interim Aid; Pep Topic

The weekly meeting of the Senate was held in Elton Lounge at 7:30 on Tuesday, September 27.

Bob Bacon, WRTC station manager, read the constitution of the organization, which was approved and accepted by the Senate. Bob requested an appropriation of \$600 or \$700 immediately to continue operations of WRTC. He expressed the "dire need" for rapid legislation on this matter. Secretary Bob Herbert suggested that the station receive \$100 as a tide-over appropriation, and that at the end of two weeks WRTC could apply for another appropriation which the budget committee would consider.

Ned Kulp, head cheerleader, then initiated a discussion involving a contest between different organizations on campus to determine which group could promote the most spirit among themselves at the pep rallies and at the games. Frank Sherman, President of the Varsity "T" Club, supported this suggestion enthusiastically, comparing it to homecoming at many mid-western colleges and universities. A committee was appointed by President Jay Geiger to follow up this idea and report its decision to the Senate at the next meeting.

Trinity Men Aid Drive

A group of Trinity students will take part in the approaching Community Chest drive by helping to solicit nearby business establishments. The drive will begin October 13 and the slogan will be "TWENTY-SEVEN THROUGH ONE," which means that twenty-seven separate organizations will be included in one Community Chest drive. The student body will not be solicited by this group.

The group is composed of Brent Harries, Captain; Ned Kulp, Lieutenant; Francis Mullane, Edgar Matthews, Leonel Mitchell, Thomas Depatie, Whitney Smith, David Bellis, John Coote, Robert Krogman, James Stanley, Franklin Fiske, Antony Mason, Horace Vaile, Donald Wildrick, David Mitchell, Felix Callen, Richard Shelley, and John Stewart.

Trinity Enrollment Tops 917; Sophs Largest with 232; Aim at Total of 850

At present Trinity College has one of the largest enrollments in history. The entire student body numbers 917, of which 230 are freshmen, 232 sophomores, 226 juniors, and the remaining 229 seniors. This number compares to 892 for the total enrollment at college last September. This enrollment figure is a fairly high one and tends to take Trinity out of the classification of a "small" college. It is obvious that the upper classes are more crowded than usual. The two main reasons for this are that there was a very small attrition, or number of men failing to return to college after the summer due to financial or other reasons, and secondly, there was a greater than expected return of upperclassmen who had not been in college last year, but who were still eligible for return this year. Normally, the college administrators expect a 5-10% attrition during the summer. However, this year there was less than 2½% attrition, indicating a

better all around financial condition and a greater interest in finishing college.

Secondly, out of an expected three to five men returning to school after not being here last year, fifteen applications were received and accepted. Also contributing to the large upper classes is the fact that under the new academic rules fewer men were asked to leave college at midyears than usual, and these men who normally would have been asked to leave at that time passed their courses in June and so were allowed to remain at school. To offset the expected 5-10% attrition, the administration took in many more transfer students, and when the expected attrition failed to materialize, these men also swelled the ranks of the upper classes.

By only taking in 225 Freshmen for the next few years, the college hopes to attain a normal enrollment of 850 students in two years.

Freshman Dance Fills Hamlin Dining Hall As 350 Terpsichoreans Trip to WRTC Music

Friday Rally Brings Throng



Dance Social and Financial Success

On Saturday night, October 1, following the Williams' game, the first informal dance of the new semester was inaugurated in Hamlin Dining Hall, amid strains of music (courtesy of WRTC,) and the spirit of excitement that pervaded after the thrilling and altogether satisfactory game in the afternoon. Sponsored by the executive committee of the class of 1953, the dance proved a social and financial success.

Large Turnout Gratifies

The most gratifying part of the whole evening was the number of people who came out to support the dance. There were an estimated 150-200 people who passed through the portals of the now famous eating establishment. Coupled with the show of spirit at the Friday night pep rally and the solid cheering at the game, the support of the dance indicates the growing spirit that is invading the campus. However, it must be stated by your reporter that both the burden of supporting the dance and cheering at the game was supported largely by the freshmen. In doing so, the freshman class has laid down a challenge to the upper classes to match their enthusiasm. It is a challenge that the Tripod hopes will be taken up with a will.

On the disappointing side of the dance, it must be reported that very few faculty members were observed at the affair. It is rumored that at one time during the evening George Cooper was seen present, but we sincerely hope that in the future he won't be the only faculty member present at these after-the-game dances. None of us who have ever seen Louis Naylor square dance can forget how much more fun these dances can be when the faculty lets their hair down and joins in the fun.

The success of this first dance marks the beginning of this season's after-the-game dances and we certainly hope that after each game, win lose or draw, these dances will be equally supported.

Important!

This is the last week in which Seniors may fill out registration blanks at the Placement Bureau.

Football Pools Out-Guessed by Medusa

Thursday evening, September 29, the Medusa announced through personal letters, bulletin board notices, and special messages over WRTC that it was aware of the existence of several football pools on campus, and gave those involved in this prohibited gambling until game time Saturday to refund and suspend operations on penalty of probation or worse. As the Tripod went to press, operators of the pools were complying with the edict and folding up their schemes for supplementary income.

Independent Operators

This reporter, a purchaser of several chances himself, interviewed one of the partnerships involved in this return of organized gambling to the Trinity Campus, and found them busily preparing to redistribute profits. (We got ours first.) Proceeding to question these enterprising young men, we learned that they had set up as independent operators only last Tuesday, had computed their own chances on the pool at 25c apiece. This seemed fairly typical of the 2 or 3 pools known to be operating at Trinity.

Faculty Sales Considered

Asked as to their reaction to the Medusa edict, they seemed quite philosophical, but wished to know some other way to make a dishonest dollar at Trinity. We suggested that they wait for the heat to cool, then return to operation, being careful not to approach members of the Medusa (they tried to sell chances to two of them last week), Senate, Administration, or Inter-Dorm Council, or any of their friends or roommates. After some reflection they decided that this virtually eliminated the student body of Trinity as potential customers, but they did take under advisement a proposal for sales amongst the Faculty and Tripod staff.

Thus the swift admonitory action of the Medusa has apparently thwarted for a time the appearance of large-scale gambling on the campus.

Radio Trinity Adds New Equipment and Workers

The Radio Voice of Trinity College, WRTC, emerges this week with new and improved programming. Operational facilities were improved over the summer with the construction of a new panel by "Rusty" Lewis, technical director of the station. He, together with "By" Bridge, are continuously tinkering and adjusting to improve the quality of broadcast.

Many of last year's familiar voices have returned to the microphones at WRTC. Among those voices most familiar to students of Trinity are Bob Bacon, "Red" Thomas, Jim Stanley, Pete Willis, Dick Ellison, "Lucky" Ransome. Many new, fresh voices have been added to the staff of the campus radio station. The freshman class of '53 has shown unprecedented interest in WRTC, and has strengthened the staff both at the microphone and behind it.

Program Director Thomas announced new program changes and additions commencing this week. Tuesday nights at 8:30 "Lucky" Ransom will preside over and produce the new program, "Make Believe Ball Room." "Strictly Swing" has been shifted to Wednesday nights at 8:30. Every Thursday evening from 8:15 to 8:30 Jim Stanley and Bob Mullins will preside over "The Football Preview."

Presidents of Nine Fraternities Plan Regular Dinner Meets During the Year

A new group, composed of the Presidents of the active Fraternities, has been formed to promote more friendly relations between the Fraternities and their Presidents. Competition is steadily rising between the houses, and there is a real need to acquaint the respective Houses with each other on a more intimate and friendly basis so that a pleasant and congenial atmosphere, harboring possibly even more and keener competition, may be the result. This group is not meant in any way to infringe upon the activities of the Inter-Fraternity Council, but to foster better understanding among the Fraternities.

At Least Nine Meets

The system to be used by the group will hold meetings in the various Fra-

ternity houses after dinner. These sessions will take place as often as the members deem necessary, and at least nine times an academic year, once in each of the Houses.

There will be no officers in the club, the host acting as the Chairman for the occasion, reminding the members before the meeting and delivering any necessary reports at the following get-together.

The schedule for dinner meetings is as follows: October 10, Alpha Chi Rho; November 14, Alpha Delta Phi; December 5, Delta Kappa Epsilon; January 16, Delta Psi; February 13, Delta Phi; March 13, Psi Upsilon; April 24, Sigma Nu; May 22, Theta Xi.

Don't Forget Your Jesters' Tickets

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It's Papyrology 8 to 5

In the attempt to come up with a handy phrase to introduce this editorial on student regulations we consulted a College Standard Dictionary and found that the small print under the word law extended for something more than nine inches not including Law, Andrew Bonard, eminent statesman.

It would be foolish to state that all laws are wise, just or desirable but by and large whether a law is the best possible or not it usually exists to protect and not simply to prohibit. Recently the Medusa posted a notice to the general effect that gambling and lotteries were prohibited by College Regulations and State Laws. The notice went on to request that various pools be disbanded so that there be no later difficulties in enforcement discipline.

Now the prohibition of gambling at a college is usually general in order to protect some people from getting too involved with lady luck. Of course most people will say that, after all, if one wants to lose one's shirt by matching drachmae that is a personal affair and, thanks just the same for the advice, leave it at that. We doubt that the Medusa or College Administration will chain an undergraduate in the deepest recesses of Jarvis for an innocuous statement such as "I bet you couldn't move the Bishop's statue with that crow bar" but the College has every right to see that state laws are not broken. By and large the experience of colleges has been that gambling can be a headache and is not a particular necessary item on campus. Therefore, the rule which the Medusa must enforce. Perhaps the state of Connecticut could take off the sales tax if it ran a Bridgeport sweepstakes and life would be fairer for all. Perhaps the tuition could be lowered if one of the Deans would organize a numbers game on given chapel attendance. You'll have to take that up with the appropriate persons but the rule is there for the protection of students and not to fill out a page in the regulations.

This is not a paid plug for the New York Times agents hereabouts, but the readers of that highly respected journal may have caught the two items on the editorial page that particularly tickled us on the Sunday side of that ne'er to be forgotten Williams' weekend. One was an editorial of the "ain't it grand to be alive" variety on the virtues of fall weather. You know it never fails that an editorial writer whose life is punctuated by the B.M.T. and an anti-ulcer glass of milk at the automat is generally the one who can picture the brisk fall winds and the rustling golden foliage and the long country walks. Nevertheless, if we have to read a "thump your chest and inhale that air" piece we can always depend on the Times (New York) to make us feel for a few brief seconds that perhaps a walk and a look-around might be a good idea.

The second article seems a good thing to pass along to some ambitious Trinity man whose average won't impress the Harvard Business School and has, at heart, a strong romantic strain. If ceramic engineering is getting crowded and you find that you will not be able to earn a living at professional blackjack (you can't here anyway, see above) the good word is Papyrology. Its a good, legal job and you won't find the field as crowded as law, medicine or downright moneymaking. Papyrology is when you know something about papyri. Surely that shouldn't be too hard and it seems that the boys had a conference in Paris recently and that ought to be worth a lot of trouble. If you happen to find a good spicy bit of papyrus with the recipe for Egyptian love potions you may get your name in a footnote somewhere and then you'll be immortal in a very learned war. Harvard Business School doesn't even claim that.

Hey! Chow Line's Short Today



Inquiring Reporters Get Reactions Of Fellow Freshmen on Frosh Dance

By Dick Hooper and John Berseth

The social life of the freshman began Saturday evening with a dance sponsored by an enthusiastic Freshman Executive Committee. To the tune of the sweet music of WRTC, blind dates from the surrounding area danced with their frosh in the dim lights of Hamlin Dining Hall. After the ball was over, your inquiring reporters donned their protective armor and ventured out in the peace and quiet of Sunday afternoon to extract from the freshmen the following reactions to this first experimental dance. As might be expected from our motley crew of freshmen, their answers ranged from complimentary to unprintable.

The most original answer we received came from a studious young man, who when queried, took his horn-rimmed glasses from their blue case and replied in original Latin, "I like the idea. It gave me a chance to study in peace while everyone else went."

Another complimentary reply came from Karl Koehler, who said that he liked the idea very much, because it gave the new fellows a chance to get acquainted with some nice girls in Hartford. (When are you seeing her again, Karl?). Another freshman said, "My girl was a very good dancer, but her conversation wasn't too interesting. She only spoke Norwegian."

William Whitelaw replied that it would have been a swell dance if there were girls, and John Shigo burst forth in his enthusiasm as he declared that he enjoyed himself thoroughly. Another fellow who appeared to have been reading the bulletin boards lately, commented, "The dance was all right, but why did they have to hold it in the dining hall? Everytime that I thought of the food, I had to leave the room."

One of the eager beavers of '53, said that he liked the girls in the balcony of the State, because they're so much friendlier, but a man loyal to his class officers declared, "I think that the Freshman Executive Committee deserves a lot of credit. After all, they tried, didn't they?"

A popular opinion was expressed by Bob Keith who said that there were far too few girls. "Red" Miller wistfully sighed, "The night would have been perfect if I had found Joan," and another gay wit replied, "My date said that she was descended from Russian royalty, but I certainly didn't carry on any 'cold' war with her!"

Four boys from Jarvis stated that they had a date with a bottle, so they found it very hard to remember anything after eight o'clock. Jim Spagnoli offered another twist to the general opinion, as he stated, "When I got there all the girls were taken, so I went down to the 'Y' dance. They have a much larger selection down there." As we left Jim, he took up his can of Babo, and continued to scrub the rubber stamp mark off his arm.

The most uncomplimentary remark came from Steve Bishop, whose eyes blazed with rage as he shouted, "It was the most poorly managed affair I have ever seen. They should have assigned the dates, instead of having it a completely stag affair."

"Big Fred" Pattison thought the girls were terrific and were worth every bit of the 25c he paid to get in, and a member of the Northam penthouse colony who didn't get a date thought the clambake was too ducky for words.

Perhaps this whole question could be summed up by a few words from the lips of that venerable old saga, B.R.S., Jr. He said, "Any party is just as good as you want to make it."

The Outer World

Among Trinity's alumni are many whose choice of profession has been far from prosaic. In the forefront of this group is Dr. George A. Boyce, '20 general superintendent of the Inter-Mountain Indian School, a boarding school under the direction of the Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the Navajo youth of Arizona, New Mexico, and Utah.

The school will open with an enrollment of 600 students, and Dr. Boyce plans a faculty of seventy. The Department of the Interior expects the school to expand to 2,000 students by 1951, however.

In May 1948 Dr. Boyce was director of all Navajo schools, when the Congress appropriated \$3,750,000 to reconvert the Bushnell General Hospital in Brigham City, Utah, into a school for Indian children. He was chosen general superintendent of the project.

The girls will be taught such arts as cooking, while plumbing, carpentry, and the like will occupy the boys, in addition of course to the standard educational subjects. Doctor Boyce points out that this will be the first time many of these young Indians have ever slept in a bed, climbed a stairway, or performed any one of a hundred other common acts.

Dr. Boyce is a native of Waterbury, Connecticut, and received his B.S. from Trinity with the Class of 1929. He is a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon.

The Wise Fool

By Jacques Hopkins

One of the more noteworthy incidents of the past week was perpetrated by Professor Barber who dictated this sentence to his Government I class: "Who's going to cite fascism and its underlying principle to let anybody know that governments, too, can lose their freedom?" As most of the class prepared to file away the statement under the heading "Gems of Wisdom," Prof. Barber announced that he was going to collect them and correct the spelling errors. After receiving the corrected papers, those who made mistakes (and it seems that there were quite a few) were instructed to write fifty correct sentences for every mistake. One member of the class showed me a piece of paper on which was written: "I cite cases; I sight a view," over and over for fifty times. It is interesting to note that the freshman did better than the upperclassmen. We asked Prof. Barber why he did it. He said that the spelling errors on themes and quizzes had been abominable and, as he put it, "It is something which has been threatened numerous times by other members of the faculty but none have been goaded, as I have, to the point of action."

Much to our dismay, we were informed that the Interfraternity Council has passed the Goodyear-Rutgers Plan. This plan's purpose is to cement fraternity relations through the expedient of having members of one fraternity go to another for a meal, a beer, and, presumably, "some old-fashioned fellowship." More descriptively, it is like a game of musical chairs with every house entertaining a group from another. Of course, God only knows why fraternity relations should be cemented unless it is to immortalize that fiction that Trinity is "jes' a great big old happy family." In any case, we wish to present the Hopkins-YMCA plan which, we believe, has a great deal more charm if not practicality. Our plan is that every Wednesday fraternity men will exchange pins with the first fraternity men that they meet and will continue doing so throughout the day. At six o'clock, they will notice which pin they are wearing and will then proceed to that fraternity house where they will eat and also attend the meeting. This will certainly make for more surprises and there is a certain charm in not knowing where you will end up. This will accomplish a good many things and might even accomplish good fraternal relations in the process. Who knows? Well, there's the plan, IFC, and you can have it for what it's worth.

We notice that the annual hullabaloo about "Conditions in the Dining Hall" and "Gambling on the College Premises" has been resurrected. Far from being disturbed, we are delighted. After all, this is the mark of a healthy, normal freshman class and is on the verge of becoming a hallowed college tradition.

Overheard at the Williams' Game: During the playing of the national anthem, one spectator said to another, "That's not music; that's high treason!"

A Word In Edgewise

By Leonel L. Mitchell

Article V, Section 4 of the current rushing rules states, "No freshman shall enter any fraternity house . . . at any time." When this article was framed there was great discussion over allowing the freshmen to enter the fraternity houses on the weekends of home football games. On assurances from the college that adequate party facilities would be given the freshmen after the games, it was decided, for better or worse, that not even this exception would be allowed.

It should be easy for anyone with a fairly active imagination to dream up all sorts of trick situations whereby the workings of this rule could be made ridiculous. For example, a freshman is unable to enter the fraternity house of his older brother with his parents, while his younger brother is able to do so. But, this could be done with practically any written rule. However, there are many situations in the ordinary everyday life of the college where this rule sweeps in and operates quite out of keeping with the purpose of the rule.

Under this rule, for example, no freshman could become a member of the Pipes, as this group sometimes practices and frequently sings in fraternity houses. It also impedes the work of such organizations as the Tripod in cases where the heads of departments are resident in fraternity houses and their freshman assistants must resort to indirect means of communication. It is still too early to tell just how serious an impediment it is, but I fear the worst.

Perhaps, the best remedy for that situation would be an improved method of campus communication. Except in the case of men with private or (sometimes) fraternity house telephones it is practically impossible to reach a student by phone. But that is another problem.

Williams Subdued By Topheavy Score

Easy Win for Jesseemen
In Series Finale; 34-13

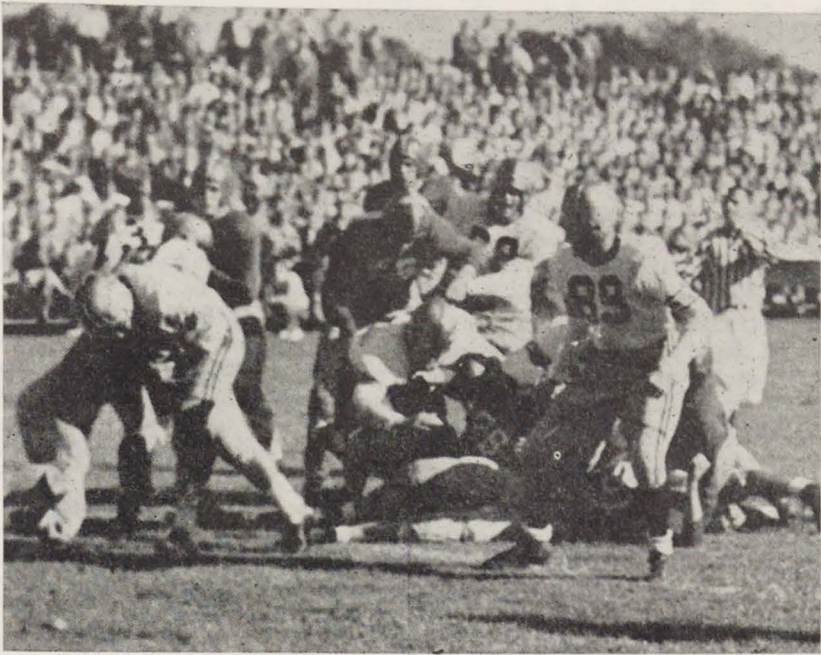
Rebounding with real fight and spirit from a first-quarter wave of sloppiness, Trinity's light but tough 1949 grid team established itself with a 34-13 win over Williams. Under clear skies Coach Dan Jessee's swift backs outraced and outfoxed the Ephmen from the start. Although Williams scored first by capitalizing on a fumble, and again by dint of a 60-yard sprint by Michigan-transfer Ferri, the fast-shifting defense and determined blocking of the Blue and Gold's light line quickly indicated its superiority. After that, the rest came easily.

Off to a poor start due to a Williams' interception of an Art French pass, the Bantam defense tightened up and took possession on its own 17. Trin suffered an offside penalty and two downs later a fumble from the hands of Captain Roger Hall. Again Trin fought the Purples to a standstill to take over, but a fumble by Jack Corcoran on a kick exchange set up Williams' first score. Ferri dashed the distance—16 yards—but Mierzejewski failed to make good the conversion.

Some Rapid Scoring

The Blue and Gold retaliated with stunning immediacy, less than a minute elapsing. Three plunges by Prickett, Hall, and Magnoli set the stage for a 14-yard trial run by sophomore star Bill Goralski, an all-day standout. The very next down Goralski bulled his way into the visitors' backfield and eluded these gentlemen over a 41-yard course. Bill Vibert kicked the point, and Trin led.

The angry Ephmen bettered the Bantams' time for quick scoring thereupon, by sending Ferri on his long jaunt fifteen seconds later. The kick was good, and Williams enjoyed a short-lived six-point margin. With the second quarter the Jesseemen left high-school style ball behind. On eight bewildering plays Trin headed the Massachusetts eleven for keeps. Hall bucked for the final two yards,



Captain Rog Hall, scores the second Trinity touchdown in the second quarter with a dive from the one to climax a 64 yard march.

Statistics			
Trinity-Williams Game		T.	W.
First downs		12	9
Yards gained rushing (net)		314	160
Forwards attempted		13	27
Forwards completed		4	8
Yards by forward pass		101	97
Forwards intercepted by		0	2
Yards gained running back of intercepted passes		0	13
Punting average (from scrimmage)		31	24
Total yds, all kicks returned includes punts and kick-offs)		125	141
Yards lost by penalties		90	55
Opponents' fumbles recovered		2	2

and Vibert calmly kicked the leading point.

Trin Dominates Second Half

The second half was part and parcel Trinity's, as the Bantams poured over three touchdowns. Magnoli scored early in the third quarter on a 17-yard gallop around left end and after Goralski took a screen pass 47 yards, Vibert booted successfully again, and the Hilltoppers led 21-13.

Magnoli scored again in the same frame, climaxing a fourteen-play crusade which covered 88 yards, through a hole easily the best-cleared of the afternoon. Dick Garrison netted the final score by scooping up a punt blocked by Dick Aherne and racing 15 yards to the goal. It was the only high-light of an anti-climactical fourth quarter.

Lineup for Trinity:

Ends: Aiken, Pitkin, Hutnick, Garrison, O'Brien, McElwee, Naud.
Tackles: DePaolis, Sherman, Kulas, Walker, Nicholson, Rigopoulos.
Guards: McDonnell, W. Trousdale, Aherne, Minton, Rathbone, Smith, Hunter, Bernabo, J. Trousdale.
Centers: Oberg, Wentworth, Sawyer.
Backs: Corcoran, Goralski, Nakaso, French, Ludorf, Lawlor, Vibert, DePatie, Magnoli, Barrows, Prickett, Hall, (capt.); Gannon.

Intramurals Begin In Football; Tennis

The Intramural Sports schedule got under way with a bang last week as play began in both tennis and touch football. Football is a regular on the fall schedule, but tennis is new this year. The Intramural Council switched the sport from the spring spot because of the uncertain weather and when the weather is good, the varsity team uses the courts.

Last Tuesday, Sept. 27th, Alpha Delta Phi shut out Tau Alpha 5-0 in the American League, and the Brownell Club knocked over Delta Phi 4-1. The next day in the American League contest Sigma Nu shut out the J-Sox, 5-0 while in the National League Theta Xi and Jarvis South did not play their scheduled match. Thursday's matches, Psi Upsilon vs. Northam (N.L.) and Delta Kappa Epsilon vs. Commons Club (A.L.) were rained out.

Football Teams Start Play

The football teams also got going this week with five of eight scheduled games being played. On Tuesday, the J-Sox turned two breaks into scores to beat Sigma Nu, 13-0. An intercepted pass and a free ball as the result of a fumble led to the touchdowns. Also in American League play, the Dekes pushed over one tally in a close game to defeat the Commons Club, 6-0. In the one National League contest Psi U coasted to a win over a Freshman delegation from Northam, 26-2.

Thursday's three scheduled games were postponed due to wet grounds. These were: Alpha Delta Phi vs. Tau Alpha (A.L.), and two games in the National League; Delta Psi vs. the Rioters, and Theta Xi vs. Jarvis North.

Delta Phi dropped its second game in National League play on Friday to the Brownell Club 8-6. This game is being disputed by Delta Phi and the dispute will be put to the Intramural Council for decision. Also on Friday, Jarvis North pulled out a close game over the Crows, 2-0.

One View on Sports

By Bob Blum

This title was chosen strictly for lack of a better. I claim it is coherent; and I am reasonably satisfied with that.

It was not my wish to start this column in a serious vein. Nevertheless, what I shall say is in urgent need of saying.

In one of the final issues of the Wesleyan Argus, the Cardinal twice-weekly, last Spring, the editor of that organ's sports column said approximately the following: "We hear that Williams intends to drop Trinity from its football schedule following next Fall's contest. The rumored reason for this rift is supposedly Trinity Coach Jessee's well-known tactless verbalizations" (the last clause is an exact quote).

The presumptuous, ill-informed Wesleyanite lad who authored that statement is in sharp need of enlightenment on several points. One, he has doubtless never (or at the most, seldom) observed Dan Jessee in conversation of any sort. The Trin coach is noted for his sideline silence, save in moments of extreme stress—as, for instance, when the officials robbed Trinity of two downs on the Wes goal line last November. Therefore, Jessee cannot be accused of "verbalizations" of any sort.

Second, in any and all discussions I have heard in the coaches' room, Mr. Jessee has shown nothing but the greatest respect for the skill and vigor of the teams guided by Whoops Snively and Len Watters, the Williams' coaches during my years on this hill.

Third, Williams arranged the schedule drop well in advance of last Spring, and during the elapsed time who knows how many inane thoughts and rumors may pass through the corridors on the hill across from Middletown's state mental institution?

Fourth, perhaps the powers that guide the destinies of Eph Williams' alumni filii were more than slightly impressed by the three successive beatings that Jessee-coached grid teams have inflicted: 19-7, 33-0, and 33-6—or perhaps they were sufficiently depressed to convince them that it would be wiser to seek victories elsewhere.

Just for good measure, when we at Trinity have seen Norm Daniels produce baseball teams on a par with those with which Jessee has beat him six out of seven times since the war, we shall accord him a bit more respect than we do at present, which quantity is already considerable. It seems a shame that my Wes Argus colleague is incapable of equal recognition of Dan Jessee, who has fashioned more great teams here than I have cliches to describe.

In light of the above discussion, let us fervently hope that, following this Friday writing, the 1949 Jesseemen underscore the Williams' argument while at the same time overscoring its Missouri "T."

Sunday . . . During halftime yesterday my friend Andy Bacharach, a Williams' track star told me, "Things will be different next half." Well, perhaps they were.

Obviously outstanding yesterday were Bill Goralski, Al Magnoli, Dick Garrison, Lam Oberg, and others of the two-platoon lines. Less in the lime-light but equally effective were Rog Hall, about whom the Ephmen built their defensive plans, and Ed Ludorf, whose skilled faking caused no end of confusion in the press-box, as well as in the Williams' ranks. When the Purple players were able to determine that Hall had the ball, they were all set to stop him; Ludorf saw to it that Goralski, Magnolia, Pickett and others had it often enough to roll up so overwhelming a score.

DeLisser of Williams deserves credit for his work in a losing cause. On a third-quarter screen pass to Goralski, he completely bottled up both the ball-carrier and two blockers so that Fleet Willy might be caught from behind.

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Tripod Apologizes For Its Mistakes

The Editorial Board of the Tripod wishes to express its regret over the errors and omissions of last week's edition. First of all, the Senate did not grant the Nautical Association the permission to run the movies in the Chemistry Auditorium for the entire year but only until mid-year.

Secondly, our reporter inadvertently overlooked Mr. Arthur Christ in the article on new faculty members. Mr. Christ came to us from Springfield and is a noteworthy addition to the Athletic Department. At present he is line coach of the varsity team and conducts several physical education classes.

And thirdly, the Editorial Board wishes to apologize for the false impression conveyed by the short article about last year's pep rallies. The spirit exhibited by Trinity students at the rallies and football games was a long step in the right direction and it is to be hoped that this year the student support of the athletic teams will show even more marked improvement.

Transit Of Venus

By John C. Stewart

This article is intended for the many students who frequent the Hamlin-Elton walk. Perhaps you have wondered what the odd looking cube is that sits in solitary splendor just west of Boardman Hall. A passing glance leaves the impression that it is a chimney from the bowels of the earth but closer observation proves this to be false since it is surmounted by a solid block. The curious ones who have studied this object closely have noticed that a message has been carved on it which reads "Transit of Venus, Imperial German Commission, December 6, 1882. Latitude 41°44'47" N. Longitude 4h. 50m. 46.4s. W." We intend here to explain this mystery to the uninitiated.

Scientists Arrive

On November 3, 1882, a group of eminent scientists from Germany set foot on our soil in quest of knowledge. They were here to study an astronomical phenomenon, the Transit of Venus, and the location for their studies was our campus.

On one bright fall day this group, composed of Dr. Gustav Mueller, assistant at the Astro-physical Observatory at Potsdam, Dr. Fritz Deichmueller, of the Observatory at Bonn, Herr Julius Bauchwiger, a scientific assistant, and one Herman Dolter, whose profession is not known, but who was probably here as a lens polisher, first class, arrived with thirty-three cases of instruments weighing seven tons.

Live at College

The scientists made the college their permanent home, rooming in Seabury 18 and 19 and eating in the Dining Hall. Busily, they set to work to prepare their instruments for the Transit. Their plan was to photograph the transit, the passing of Venus between the sun and the earth, and thus to determine the distance of Venus and Earth from the Sun. The Transit was to last for about eight hours.

A staff member of the Trinity Tablet, predecessor of the Tripod, quoted the head scientist, Dr. Mueller, as saying that "the chances for rain were about 50-50." As is typical of New England changeable weather, December 6th dawned wet and overcast and a heavy rain lasted for the entire eight hours of the Transit. The gentlemen from Germany packed up and returned to their fatherland with an extremely fine collection of photographs of raindrops.

To warn those of you who are already looking for your smoked glasses, we might mention that the next Transit of Venus will occur June 8, 2004 at 9 a.m. although it very well may be a few minutes one way or the other. The chances for rain are about 50-50.

How About the Soph Hop? Only 17 Days Left

WHEN? The Middlebury game weekend Friday, October 21, 9-12:45 p.m.

WHERE? The Hartford Club on Prospect Street, Hartford.

MUSIC? None other than Al Strohman's famous name band.

ENTERTAINMENT? Trinity's own Pipes. If you need accommodations for your dates, don't worry. They are being investigated by a committee. More about that later. Get yourself a date now. Don't wait until it is too late!

"Jesters"

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there will be a dance after each performance for those who buy tickets. Individual tickets may be had, but there is no guarantee that there will be any left since these tickets will be made available only one week in advance, and the demand for tickets this year is expected to exceed the supply. Admission to a single play will cost \$1.20, dance included.

The cast for French Without Tears includes Richard Hall, Richard Avit-

Sophs Have Meet; Learn Frosh Rules

On Thursday, September 22, the sophomore class held a meeting in the Chemistry Auditorium for the purpose of informing the members of the class as to the new freshman rules for this year. Any freshman who is either walking on campus without his "beanie" hat, or is walking on the grass, may be reported by a sophomore to a court consisting of the presidents of the three upper classes with the sophomore class president, Felix Callan, presiding. All reports should be made to the sophomore class president and should contain the freshman's name and the offense. After considering the complaint the offending freshman will be brought up before the court, and if found guilty, suitable punishment will be prescribed. All sophomores are asked to cooperate in this plan so that we may uphold the traditions of the College.

able, Jacque Hopkins, Ronald Rowland, Lee Mitchell, Joe Hyde, Albert Kranz, Jr., Stuart Woodruff, Samuel Ramsey, Troy Browning and David Collier.

In early March, The Jesters will produce A Bell For Adano and in early May, to complete the season, Twelfth Night.

Down Fraternity Row

By Twitch Woollacott

At the rally last Friday, I was very much disappointed with the Greeks. Those over-eager Frosh just had too much spirit and far outshadowed our poor brotherhoods . . . Only two houses sounded the least bit like they were "in the groove, Jackson." (Thank you Road to Rio) Little Tau Alpha made more noise than many of the larger houses, the straw-hatted Dekes, being the only other group to hold their own against the Frosh and the Brownellians . . . And, speaking of straw hats, traitor Hank Nurge (ADP) was sporting a nobby one at the game on Saturday. That's very bad psychology, Hank.

Saturday evening's victory balls were for some reason fairly quiet. I understand, however, that Brent Harries, Buz Everett, and a new radio-phonograph (all of ACR) really did a fine job in helping the Crows to baptize a new social year. And speaking of the Crows, I see where sea-legs Parker has returned to said manse . . . Andy Shepherd also tossed a fine party down at the Deke House, for there was such a mob in the house that you couldn't even find John Blake and Luigi Carver, who were the two most important boys at ol' 98 on last Saturday eve. Oh, by the way, Rick

Marshall and Ken Kinner were added to the Deke enrollment last week, and Paul Marte and Pete Blank increased the Tau Alpha roster by two.

Now to the marriage, engagement, and divorce section. Cy Page, Fran Conolley, Sherwood Hotchkiss, (All of ACR) and Bill Quortrup (DKE) all took that fatal step over the summer, while Lucky Ransom (SN) went half way up the ladder. So I guess congratulations are in order for these gentlemen.

At ADP, last week, Brother Brewer went to East Hartford to attend the Miss Cream of Wheat finals for '49, and Brother Reynolds was caught playing Mighty Joe Young in the maple tree . . . Tau Alpha told me that its brethren are in possession of the "brightest and most distinguished looking chapeaus" of the Greeks. Well, more power to them. Sigma Nu mentioned that they redecorated their first floor so that it would go well with all the trophies that adorn their mantel-piece. And the Crows proudly announced that Don Murray has taken to playing the uke, which I say is all well and good; for it ought to keep him away from playing other mischief.

E. W.



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